

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention relates to a method for matching a number  $N$  of reception equipment (2) with a number  $M$  of external security modules (6, 8), each reception equipment (2) being provided with a unique identifier, and each external security module (6, 8) having a unique identifier and containing information about access rights of a user to digital data distributed by an operator.

10 This method comprises a configuration phase comprising the following steps:

– memorise a list of identifiers of reception equipment (2) in each external security module (6, 8),

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and a check phase consisting of authorising access to data if the identifier of an external security module (6, 8) connected to a reception equipment (2) is present in the list memorised in this reception equipment (2), and if the identifier of said reception equipment (2) is present in the list memorised in said external security module (6, 8), otherwise disturb 25 access to said data.

Figure 7.